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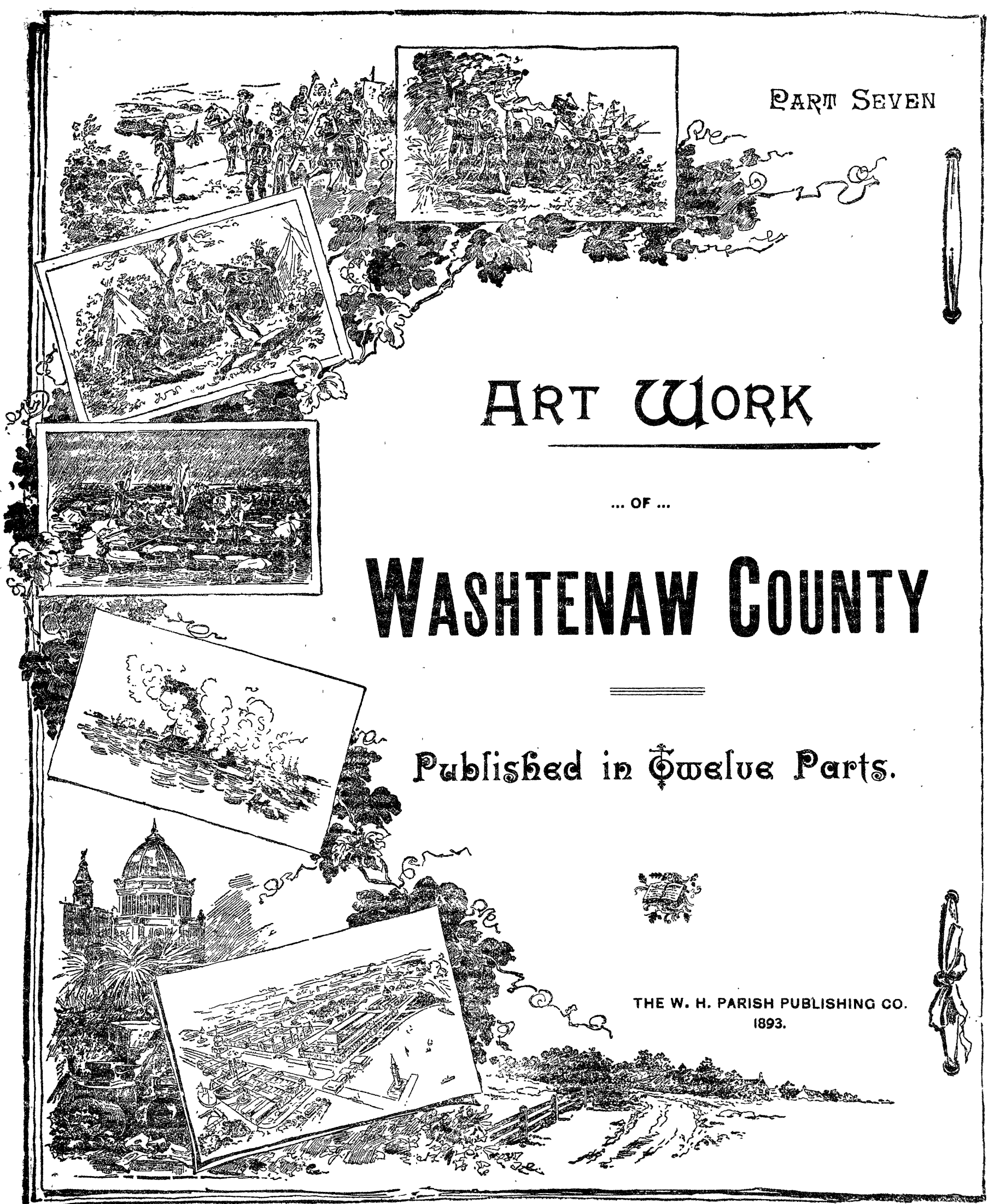
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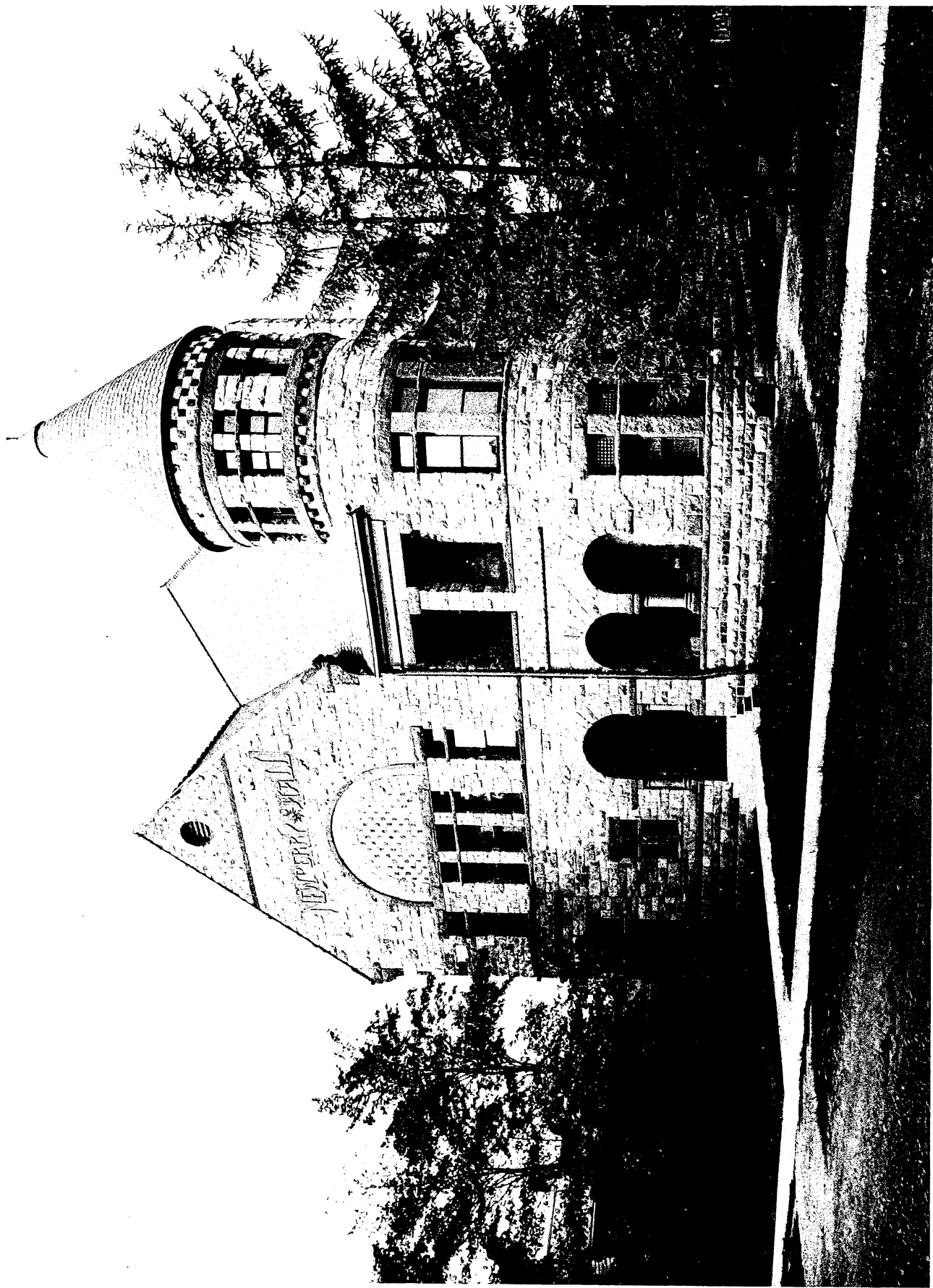
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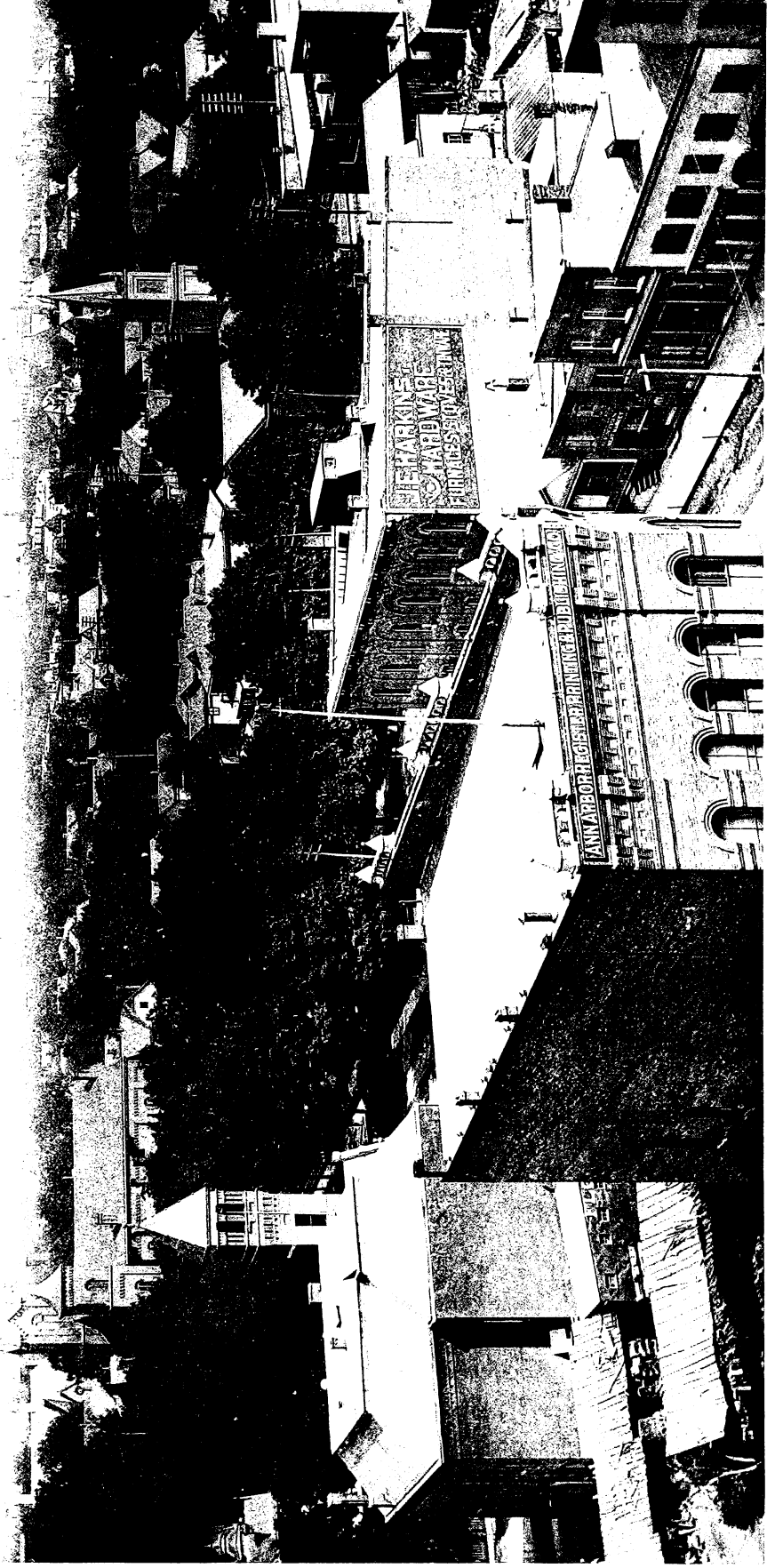


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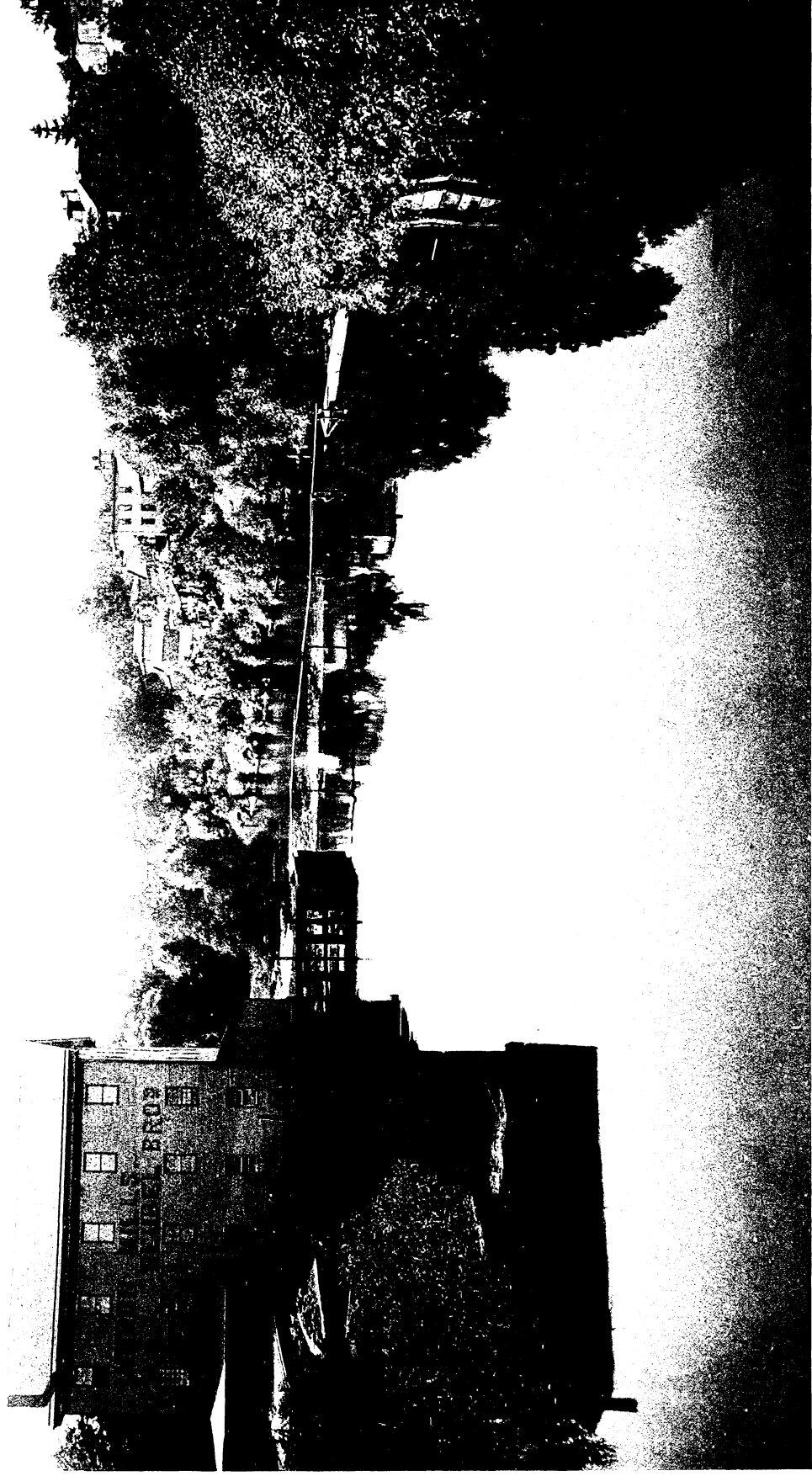




NEWBERRY HALL—ANN ARBOR.



LOOKING SOUTHEAST FROM COURT HOUSE TOWER—ANN ARBOR.



LOOKING SOUTH FROM CONGRESS STREET BRIDGE—YPSILANTI.



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STARKWEATHER MEMORIAL CHAPEL, IN HIGHLAND CEMETERY.



RESIDENCE OF MRS. C. A. WRIGHT—ANN ARBOR.



MICHIGAN CENTRAL DEPOT—ANN ARBOR.

parties held their State conventions here; and, while the political parties now seek the larger cities, Ann Arbor is still a favorite meeting place of State associations of all kinds.

The later history of the city is singularly uneventful. Its citizens have been noted for minding their own business. No great fires have made eras in its history, but a steady growth in prosperity has marked its progress. Its officials have administered their trusts with singular fidelity, the rates of taxation have been kept down, the city furnished with modern conveniences, while being kept nearly free from debt. Water works were built in 1888. A paid fire department was established in 1889. A street railway was build in 1890 and at the present time a general system of sewerage is being put in.

The residences erected in the past four years are very handsome ones, the streets are all heavily shaded with maple trees and the city at once charms all visitors. It is built on hills and the scenery in the various parts of the city is strikingly beautiful. Cedar Bend avenue, a pleasure drive built in 1888, which runs along the bluffs of the Broadway hill, gives one glimpses which rival the scenery of Switzerland which the views are said to resemble.

The history of the county outside of Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor may be summed up in a few words. The various towns were first settled in the years named, Ann Arbor, 1824; Augusta, 1836; Bridgewater, 1829; Dexter, 1825; Freedom, 1831; Lima, 1825; Lodi, 1825; Lyndon, 1833; Manchester, 1831; Northfield, 1824; Pittsfield, 1824; Salem, 1825; Saline, 1826; Scio, 1825; Sharon, 1831; Superior, 1823; Sylvan, 1830; Webster, 1824; York, 1824; Ypsilanti, 1823.

The county was divided into the three townships of Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor and Dexter in the year 1827, since which time these towns have been gradually subdivided until the county now consists of twenty townships of nearly equal size with the exception of the two towns out of which the cities have been taken.

The county was represented in the bloodless Toledo war in 1835, by two companies whose captains shook dice to determine who should command. The point in dispute was the possession of the strip of land on which Toledo is located which was then claimed by Ohio and the Territory of Michigan. The matter was amicably arranged after the Washtenaw companies had shown their ability to provide forage for themselves in the enemies country.

When war in earnest came, the loyal sons of Washtenaw flocked to the standards of the government and the county which cast 7,916 votes in 1860, sent about 4,000 men to the front

